

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Furthermore this kind of partisan attack passing itself as news with no fair opportunity for rebuttal does not serve my communities interests. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Actions such as this should prompt the FCC to consider a careful review of whether or not to renew Sinclair Groups licenses.